TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1318 - SB 1131

March 18, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Children's Services (DCS) annually to conduct training in child protective investigations for law enforcement officers or officials engaged in investigating allegations of child abuse or child sexual abuse. Requires law enforcement officers to attend this training whenever possible and directs that training shall not delay the investigation of child abuse or child sexual abuse allegations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$119,000

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Federal Expenditures - \$69,300

Assumptions:

- According to DCS, three program coordinators will be hired and will coordinate training in each of the three Grand Divisions.
- The salary, benefits, and other expenses for one program coordinator will be \$62,752 with salary (\$34,400), benefits (\$13,352), and other equipment (\$15,000); total cost for three coordinators will be \$188,256.
- Of the \$188,256, 45 percent (\$84,715) will be TennCare funds. Of the TennCare funds, \$56,107 will be federal expenditures at a 66.23 percent match rate and \$28,608 (\$84,715 \$56,107) will be state expenditures.
- Seven percent of the total cost \$13,178 (\$188,256 x 7%) will be new Title IV-E expenditures.
- The remaining \$90,363 [\$188,256 (\$84,715 TennCare + \$13,178 Title IV-E)] will be state expenditures.
- The total increase in state expenditures for personnel will be \$118,971 (\$28,608 TennCare + \$90,363). The total increase in federal expenditures will be \$69,285 (\$56,107 + \$13,178).

• According to the County Municipal Advisory Service, POST rules currently require annual training in child sexual abuse. Any increase in local expenditures to local law enforcement agencies will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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